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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: APER, SHUM (HAM, BRADFORD W.)

SUBJECT: HAM-WORRES MARRIAGE CASE

REF: (A) ADDIS ABABA 1338, (B) BRAZZAVILLE 0292, (C) ADDIS
ABABA 1175

1. IF EMBASSY OBTAINS "PROCURATION DE MARRIAGE" FROM AZIEB WORRES,
IT IS REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY FORWARD DOUCMENT TO BRADFORD HAM AT
BAMAKO, MALI SINCE THE DOCUMENT COULD NOT REACH HIM IN BRAZZAVILLE
BEFORE APRIL 1.

2. SINCE HAM IS WILLING TO TRY ANYTHING TO CONCLUDE THIS CASE
SUCCESSFULLY AND NOTHING HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL THUS FAR, REQUEST
EMBASSY INDULGENCE IN THE FOLLOWING BRAINSTORM: AS EMBASSY IS
AWARE, HAM TRANSITED ADDIS ABABA ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1977. AT THAT
TIME, EMBASSY SAW NO DIFFICULTY IN THIS TRANSIT NOR DID THE
ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT SINCE HAM WAS NOT LEAVING THE AIRPORT
BUT MERELY MAKING A FLIGHT CHANGE IN ADDIS. THE POINT IS THIS:
SINCE THE ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT IS (WAS) NOT OPPOSED TO HAM
TRANSITING ADDIS, REMAINING IN THE AIRPORT, WONDER IF IT WOULD
BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A MARRIAGE CEREMONY WITHIN THE AIRPORT
ITSELF WHILE HAM IS ENROUTE ELSEWHERE (NAIROBI, FOR INSTANCE).
IF AZIEB WERE ALLOWED INTO THE TRANSIT AREA OF THE AIRPORT,
UNDER ESCORT IF DESIRED, THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY COULD BE PERFORMED
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THERE. AS FOR TECHNICALITIES, HAM WOULD NOT HAVE ENTERED ETHIOPIA
AND AZIEB WOULD NOT HAVE LEFT, THEREBY ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR
AN EXIT VISA FOR AZIEB TO MARRY HAM, OR PERMISSION TO ENTER
ETHIOPIA FOR HAM TO MARRY AZIEB. THE MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE WOULD
BE VALID BY ETHIOPIAN LAW.

3. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATE. ALSO ADVISE RESULTS OF INSTRUCTIONS

DAWIT GAVE TO OFFICE OF PUBLIC SECURITY ON THIS CASE (REF C).
MANY THANKS.
KATZEN

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